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DECEASED.—Prof. P. M. FERRARI in Genoa.

Dr. GEORGE H. HORN was elected an Honorary Member of the Entomological Society of Belgium on Dec. 26, 1893.

PICTURES for the album of the American Entomological Society have been received from A. D. Hopkins, Rev. G. D. Hulst, H. G. Dyar, Levi W. Mengel, F. H. Hillman, E. P. Van Duzee.

I HAVE taken, at Chicago, in July two Myrmeleonidæ new to the State of Illinois;—*Ututa quadripunctata* Burm. and *Cotobopterus excisus* Hag. The former was taken at a lamp and the latter at an electric light. Both are rare, and of *Cotobopterus* not many specimens are known.—J. E. McDADE, Kensington, Ill.

TRANSACTIONS of American Entomological Society for October, November and December, 1893, have just been issued, closing volume xx, with 374 pages and 7 plates. The following were contributors: W. H. Ashmead, Nathan Banks, E. Brendel, P. P. Calvert, T. D. A. Cockerell, W. J. Fox, G. H. Horn, C. Robertson, J. B. Smith, C. H. T. Townsend and C. M. Weed.

THE life-history of but one or two species of the family Nemistrinidæ has hitherto been published. Recently, in looking through Prof. Bruner's collection of Diptera, in the University of Nebraska, I discovered a female specimen of the rare *Rhynchocephalus sackeni* Will., which was of yet more interest from the following note given me by Prof. Bruner: "Taken while apparently depositing eggs in the stem of *Eriogonum alatum*. Its actions were very similar to those of a bot-fly; it was so absorbed in its work that it might have been captured with the fingers." The fly is evidently a rapid flyer, like its allies, the Bombyliidæ. It has an elongated ovipositor, but doubtfully of sufficient strength to pierce woody tissue. The eggs of *Hirmoneura obscura* are deposited in the holes of wood-boring insects,